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Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu Visits DPRK

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shakes hands with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Romanian Socialist Republic, paid an official good-will visit to our country from May 20 to 23 at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Arrival in Pyongyang

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu arrived in Pyongyang on May 20 by special plane.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, together with his wife, came out to the airport and cordially met Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife.

That day an atmosphere of welcome pervaded the Pyongyang Airport.

Seen in the midst of thousands of welcomers were the respectful portraits of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of our Party and our people, and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people and a close friend of our people. The portraits were flanked on either side by panels bearing the words: "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people!"

Flags of the two countries, Korea and Romania, were fluttering on the flagpoles.

Floating high over the airport were big balloons ribboned with flags of the two countries and streamers with the words "Welcome" and "Friendship".

Set up in the compound of the airport were the panels carrying the messages "Warm welcome to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu!" "Long live the indestructible, fraternal friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Romania!" "Long live the Workers' Party of Korea!" and "Long live the Romanian Communist Party!"

At 11:40 a.m. the special plane carrying the guests touched down at the airport.

The welcoming crowd, waving the pennants of the two countries and bunches of flowers and performing dances, fervently greeted Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and embraced him.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife were accompanied by Cornel Burtica, Member of the Executive Political Committee of the CC of the RCP, Deputy Prime Minister of the Government and Minister of Foreign Trade and International Economic Cooperation of the RSR; Dumitru Popescu, Member of the Executive Political Committee, and Secretary of the CC of the RCP; Stefan Andrei, Alternate Member of the Executive Political Committee of the CC of the RCP and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the RSR; Vasile Musat, Member of the CC of the RCP and Secretary of the CC of the RCP; Vasile Pungan, Member of the CC of the RCP, Minister at the Presidency of the RSR and Head of the Group of Advisers to the President of the Republic; and suite.

Juvenile Corps members courteously presented bunches of fragrant flowers to the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The guests were met at the airport by Comrade Pak Sung Chul and his wife, Comrades Li Jong Ok, O Jin U, So Chol, Kye Ung Tae, Kim Yong Nam, Ho Dam, Kim Man Gum, Kong Jin Tae and Hwang Jang Yop, Chairmen of the Commissions and Ministers of the Administration Council, leading personnel of the working people's organizations, generals of the Korean People's Army, leading workers from scientific, educational, cultural, art, public health and press circles and Sin In Ha, DPRK Ambassador to the RSR.

Also present at the airport were Dumitru Popa, Ambassador, and staff members of the RSR Embassy and foreign diplomatic envoys and their wives here.

A grand ceremony was held to welcome Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The national anthem of the RSR and the Patriotic Song of our country were played.

While a 21-gun salute was booming, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, in company with the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, reviewed a guard of honour made up of the ground, naval and air forces of the Korean People's Army.

After the welcoming ceremony, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, accompanied by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, passed by the enthusiastically cheering crowds in acknowledgement of their welcome and then got into the car and headed for the city.

Hundreds of thousands of working people in Pyongyang lining the streets gave the friendly mission of the Romanian people a tremendous ovation.

The crowds formed long and thick walls on both sides of the streets bedecked with various decorations, and they flung multi-coloured tapes, showered confetti and greeted the guests with dances, songs and cheers of "manse" (hurrah), waving the miniflags of the two countries, Korea and Romania, and bundles of bouquets.

The welcome mood attained its zenith in the Kim Il Sung Square. At the square tens of thousands of artistes and masses performed dance to the soft and elegant melody of the "Song of Korean-Romanian Friendship".

When the open car carrying the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu arrived at the square, the band struck up the welcome music, cheers of "manse" burst forth and balloons soared, spreading a colourful scene in the sky. The whole square looked like a sea of flowers.

Female artistes courteously presented bunches of fragrant flowers to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu who got down from the car.

Chairman Kang Hui Won of the Pyongyang City Administrative Committee, to-

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Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, accompanied by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, responds to warm cheers of artistes and other people (at Kim Il Sung Square).

By Maintaining Independence, Our Two Parties and Two Countries Are Successfully Carrying on the Revolution and Construction and Developing Their Mutual Relations As a Model of the Relations between Socialist Countries

Speech of Comrade KIM IL SUNG

At Mass Rally

Respected Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and Comrade Elena Ceausescu,
Dear guests from Romania,
Comrades and friends,

Now this stadium is overflowing with the great joy and excitement of the citizens of our capital who are greeting the goodwill envoys of the Romanian people, and is rolling endlessly with beautiful floral waves of welcome.

At this significant place, I once again accord warmest welcome to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, our intimate friend, and his party.

And, through you, I would like to convey warm fraternal greetings of the Korean people to the Romanian people.

The current visit of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu to our country amid the warm welcome of our people is a vivid illustration showing the solidity of the friendship and solidarity between our two Parties, two countries and two peoples on a high stage of development and demonstrating the invincible vitality of the class solidarity between the peoples of socialist countries.

We note with great satisfaction that through the mutual visits of their leaders the relations of proletarian internationalist friendship and cooperation between Korea and Romania are expanding and developing every day along the highway of amity linking our two countries.

The friendly relations between the Korean and Romanian peoples have a long tradition.

Our two peoples have always actively supported and closely cooperated with each other on the road of the common struggle against imperialism and for the victory of the cause of socialism.

Today the relations between our two countries are developing very favourably due above all to our two Parties' adherence to the principle of maintaining independence and respecting each other.

Independence is what keeps a country and a nation alive and is a firm basis of the friendship and solidarity between fraternal Parties and fraternal countries.

Only when they stick to independence can the socialist countries and the Communist and Workers' Parties successfully carry out their revolution and, furthermore, strengthen the unity and cohesion of the international communist movement and hasten the victory of the world revolution.

By maintaining independence, our two Parties and two countries are successfully carrying on the revolution and construction and developing their mutual relations as a model of the relations between socialist countries.

Holding aloft the banner of independence in Asia and Europe, Korea and Romania are energetically pushing ahead with socialist construction and fruitfully developing their friendly and cooperative relations. This greatly helps strengthen the socialist forces of the world and exert a positive influence on the countries of the new-emerging forces that are advancing toward socialism.

Today it is an irresistible trend of the times for the world people to advance along the road of independence and socialism.

The majority of the countries which won independence from the colonial rule of imperialism after the Second World War have decided to take the road of socialism.

It is the duty of the socialist countries to our times that they build socialism better by keeping firmly to the independent stand and demonstrate the true superiority and vitality of socialism by practical examples to the countries of the new-emerging forces.

Under the leadership of the Romanian Communist Party headed by Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, their outstanding leader, the Romanian people have made great progress in the endeavours to convert their once backward country into an independent and multilaterally developed socialist state.

By taking the road of socialism, the Romanian people have been able to build a most fruitful new life and open up a short-cut to progress and civilization for the first time in their history.

Today Romania, as a dignified independent socialist country, is firmly standing in the southeastern part of Europe and her international position is rising with each day.

The rise of new socialist Romania following the disappearance of old Romania and its constant strengthening and development are attributable to the correct leadership of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu who is carrying on energetic activities with all devotion for the freedom and happiness of the Romanian people.

Firmly adhering to independence, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu is wisely leading the country along the road of independent development and, in international affairs, is developing relations with other countries from the standpoint that all countries are equal, irrespective of their size. Thus he enjoys the high respect of the people.

Today the Romanian people, closely united around the Romanian Communist Party, are vigorously struggling to defend their revolutionary gains, further consolidate the country's independence and sovereignty and to carry out the most important tasks put forward by the 11th Congress and the National Conference of the Party.

Our people are sincerely rejoiced over all the splendid successes of the fraternal Romanian people in socialist construction and heartily wish them still greater victory and success in their future struggle for the progress and prosperity of the country.

The Korean people have turned their once backward country into a socialist power, independent, self-supporting and self-reliant in defence, in a historically very short period by thoroughly implementing our Party's Juche-based line in all fields of the revolution and construction.

On the basis of the successes already achieved and holding aloft the banner of the ideological, technical and cultural revolutions as before, our people are now energetically striving to attain the new grand goal of the Second Seven-Year Plan, whose basic task is the Juche-orientation, modernization and scientification of the national economy.

The independent policy pursued by our two Parties is in full accord with the trend of the present epoch and with the common desire of the world's people; it will display an ever greater vitality with each passing day.

Comrades and friends,

Today a fierce struggle is going on in the world arena between the revolutionary forces advancing along the road of independence, sovereignty, and socialism and the imperialist reactionary forces trying to block the former.

Though the imperialists are loud-mouthed about "peace" outwardly, they are in fact expanding armaments on a large scale and hastening the preparations for aggression and war against the socialist countries.

Imperialism and other forces of dominationism are engaged in a fierce scramble to draw the new-emerging and developing countries into their sphere of influence by splitting and sowing discord among them, and are causing unrest, disputes and conflicts in all parts of the world.

With no machination, however, can the imperialists turn back the wheels of history.

The prevailing situation makes it imperative for the peoples of socialist, non-aligned and developing countries and all nations advocating independence to intensify the joint struggle against the forces of imperialism, old and new colonialism and dominationism and thoroughly frustrate their manoeuvres of split, disintegration and scramble.

The socialist countries should unite to check and foil the crafty machinations of the imperialists for destroying the revolutionary forces of the world piecemeal, smash all their slanders and abuses, and accelerate the victory of socialism.

The socialist countries should positively support the anti-imperialist national liberation struggle of the oppressed nations, strengthen cooperation with the non-aligned nations and the developing countries and thus vigorously encourage the joint struggle of the peoples for independence, sovereignty and socialism.

We firmly believe that if the peoples of the socialist countries, the peoples of the Asian, African and Latin American countries, the progressive peoples of Europe and all the peoples of the world advocating independence firmly unite and staunchly fight against imperialism, old and new colonialism and dominationism, the victory of the common cause of peace, democracy, national independence and socialism can be expedited.

Respected Comrade General Secretary,

Your current visit to our country will record another brilliant chapter in the long history of Korean-Romanian friendship.

This time Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu again highly appraised the successes made by the Korean people in socialist construction and fully supported their struggle against the "two Koreas" plot of the splittists and for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

I would like to express once again my deep thanks to you for your continued wholehearted support and encouragement to our people's revolutionary cause.

With the positive support and encouragement of the Romanian people and the peaceloving people of the world, the Korean people will certainly force all foreign troops to withdraw from south Korea and achieve the historic cause of the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

This time we have reached an agreement with satisfaction on making public joint documents carrying the unanimous desire to deepen and develop the traditional friendship and solidarity and fraternal cooperation between our two Parties and two countries.

This promises the fine success of your visit to our country.

The relations of fraternal friendship and cooperation between the two Parties, two countries and two peoples of Korea and Romania will more brilliantly blossom and develop in the future struggle for the common cause.

Holding aloft the banner of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism and the revolutionary banner of anti-imperialism and independence, the Korean people will fight unremittingly to achieve the final victory of the cause of liberation of mankind, in unity with the peoples of the socialist countries and all the progressive peoples of the world including the peoples of the countries of the new-emerging forces, and make every possible effort for the everlasting friendship and solidarity with the fraternal Romanian people.

Long live the indestructible fraternal friendship and solidarity between the Korean and the Romanian people!

An official talk held between the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu

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gether with Hero of the DPRK, Labour Heroine and Merited Actress, presented a statuette of anti-imperialist fighter to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu in the name of Pyongyang citizens.

And an ornamental silver sword was presented to his wife, Comrade Elena Ceausescu.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu expressed deep thanks for this.

Calls

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, in the company of his wife Comrade Elena Ceausescu, paid a courtesy visit to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae on the 20th.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung conversed with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu in a cordial atmosphere overflowing with friendship.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife Comrade Kim Song Ae made a return call on Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Comrade Elena Ceausescu on the 21st.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had a conversation with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu in a warm atmosphere full of friendliness.

Banquet, Luncheon, Dinner

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung arranged a grand banquet at the Kumsusan Assembly Hall on the evening of the 20th in honour of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Comrade Elena Ceausescu on a visit to our country.

Invited to the banquet were Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife and their entourage and Romanian guests staying in our country.

Present there were cadres of our country and Sin In Ha, DPRK Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the RSR.

Among those invited were foreign diplomatic envoys and their wives here.

The banquet was addressed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Then the floor was taken by Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people.

A performance was given at the banquet by artistes of the Mansudae Art Troupe.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife hosted a dinner on the 21st and a luncheon and dinner on the 22nd for Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife.

The banquet, luncheon and dinners passed in an amicable atmosphere overflowing with friendly sentiments.

Talks

Official talks were held in Pyongyang on the 20th between the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the CC of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the DPRK, and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the RSR.

Present at the talks were the wife of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and the wife of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

Attending the talks on our side were Comrades Li Jong Ok, Kye Ung Tae, Kim Yong Nam, Ho Dam and Kong Jin Tae and Sin In Ha, DPRK Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the RSR.

Attending on the Romanian side were Cornel Burtica, Member of the Executive Political Committee of the CC of the RCP, Deputy Prime Minister of the Government and Minister of Foreign Trade and International Economic Cooperation of the RSR; Dumitru Popescu, Member of the Executive Political Committee, and Secretary, of the CC of the RCP; Stefan Andrei, Alternate Member of the Executive Political Committee of the CC of

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The Current Visit Will Be Recorded as a New Important Occasion in the Chronicle Of Friendship between Romania and Korea, Solidarity and Very Good Relations Of Many-Sided Cooperation between the Parties and Peoples of the Two Countries

Speech of Comrade NICOLAE CEAUSESCU

At Mass Rally

Respected Comrade Kim Il Sung,
Respected Comrade Kim Song Ae,
Dear comrades and friends,

It gives me great pleasure to extend the most comradely and friendly and warm greetings of solidarity to Comrade Kim Il Sung at this grand Romanian-Korean friendship mass rally.

I also extend the fraternal greetings and best salute in the name of the Romanian people, our Party and state and in my own name to the attendants of this mass rally, citizens of Pyongyang, a heroic city, and the entire friendly people of Korea.

At this grand mass rally I once again express deep thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung for the genuine fraternal hospitality accorded by you from the very moment of our arrival in Korea.

We were deeply impressed by the stirring welcome of the Pyongyang citizens, which turned into an ebullient holiday of friendship and solidarity between Romania and Korea as a great demonstration of friendship and affection.

We extend sincere thanks to the working people of Korea for their expression of such fraternal sentiments and assure you that the entire people of our country cherish the same feelings for the Korean people.

Our visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is a manifestation of the excellent friendly relations between the Romanian Communist Party and the Workers' Party of Korea and between our two peoples and two countries.

In the course of talks with Comrade Kim Il Sung and Korean comrades we were satisfied with the fact that these relations based on the treaty of friendship and cooperation between Romania and Korea have constantly grown and expanded in particular and contribute to the progress of our two peoples and the cause of socialism and world peace.

A joint statement to be signed with dear Comrade Kim Il Sung and an agreement and accords to be concluded during the visit will give new impetus to cooperation in the economic, scientific-technological and cultural domains as well as to the exchange of experiences in the building of socialism. This will undoubtedly accelerate the development of the two countries.

Dear comrades and friends,

This is the second day of our visit to your country. But we confirmed with great joy that Pyongyang has turned into a prospering city clearly showing the distinguished successes made by the Korean people in all fields since our first visit in 1971.

We cannot but admire the creative enthusiasm and resoluteness of the industrious Korean people who are striving for the modernization of the industry and the development of agriculture and other social and economic domains and for the socialist construction and the prosperity of the country under the leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Comrade Kim Il Sung, the outstanding leader and an intimate friend of the Romanian people.

As your close friends, we are sincerely rejoiced at all these successes and highly appreciate the fact that they have been achieved under the conditions in which great efforts should be directed to increasing the defence power of your country by developing the armed forces.

We wish you still greater success in the endeavours for the fulfilment of the Second Seven-Year Plan and for the progress and prosperity of the country and the wellbeing and happiness of the entire people.

Respected comrades,

Rallied close around the Party, the Romanian people are also carrying out the programme of building a multilaterally developed socialist society and going over to communism, thoroughly implementing the decisions of the 11th Congress and the National Conference of the Party.

Under socialism the industrial production of Romania has grown 38 times and her agricultural production roughly three times.

The working class of Romania successfully fulfilled the plans for the first two years of the Five-Year Plan. And this year they have achieved important successes in carrying out the task put forward by the National Conference of the Party in all social and economic fields.

The aim of all this work we are doing for the socio-economic development of the country is to raise the material and spiritual standards of the people, which is the supreme goal of the policy of our Communist Party which attaches the greatest importance to man in its activities. This finds expression in the fact that the distribution to the working people will grow by 32 per cent during the current Five-Year Plan.

We are also constantly striving to strengthen socialist democracy and perfect the work of organizational guidance to all spheres of society so that the working class, peasants and intellectuals may participate in the guiding organs in all domains.

Especially, we are directing particular attention to the work of carrying out the Party's programme of ideological work, thoroughly implementing the principle of socialist ethics and equity and training a new type of men with high revolutionary consciousness.

Our Party takes dialectic and historical materialism as the guiding principle in all its activities and creatively applies its universal truth to the specific conditions of Romania.

The great successes made by the working people of Romania and Korea in the building of a new life demonstrate the creative energy of a people who are confidently advancing toward socialism and communism, shaping their future in accordance with their will as the master of their destiny.

Dear comrades,

Taking place in our historical time are serious revolutionary national and social changes through the struggle of the people to liquidate the imperialists' old politics of domination and oppression and achieve independent, free development.

However, we cannot but say that due to the intensified struggle to redivide the sphere of influence and domination, antagonisms are growing acute in the international life.

Under the present situation, therefore, all the progressive forces and anti-imperialist forces should intensify as never before the struggle to prevent the aggravation of the world situation and to set up completely equal, new relations for ensuring free independent development to all nations without any outside interference.

Romania is conducting energetic activities to strengthen friendship and cooperation with all the socialist countries and waging an unswerving struggle to cement the unity and solidarity of the socialist countries in full accord with the reality of the present world.

Along with this, we, firmly basing ourselves on our general line of struggling against the imperialist and colonialist policy and for helping all peoples exercise their right as the master of their destiny, are consolidating unity and cooperation with the developing countries and all the countries that are following the road of independent development.

We are developing the relations of cooperation with developed capitalist countries and all countries of the world irrespective of the difference in social systems, while taking an active part in the international division of labour and exchange of value in the spirit of peaceful co-existence.

On this rostrum I note with satisfaction that our two Parties, two peoples and the Romanian Socialist Republic and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are actively cooperating with each other and persistently struggling so that the principle of complete equality, national independence, respect for sovereignty, non-interference in other's internal affairs and refraining from use of arms and threat by force of arms, that is, the principle confirmed as the only way of guaranteeing peace in the international arena and realizing cooperation among nations, may be established in the international life and relations among countries.

Under the present complex situation on the European continent, Romania is carrying on brisk activities to achieve security and cooperation in Europe and actively carry into practice the documents adopted in Helsinki.

The unsatisfactory results of the recent Belgrade Conference demand the people to step up the struggle for developing cooperation among countries in the fields of economy, science and culture, particularly removing the military confrontation on the continent, where security and peace cannot be expected apart from it.

We pay special attention to the development of cooperation among all countries of the Balkan region and the conversion of this region into a zone of good neighbourhood, security and peace.

Our people, Party and government closely follow that the flames of war are continuously flaring up in the world, armed confrontations among countries are going on, bringing about great destruction and loss and particularly, they are taking place among civilized peoples, threatening the security and peace of the whole mankind.

Taking into consideration this situation, complex problems, numerous complications and disputes that remain unsolved in the world owing to the consequences of the protracted imperialist and colonialist rule, we resolutely reject any dispute, armed conflict and confrontation among countries and hold that every effort should be made to solve them peacefully through political negotiations of the parties concerned.

Hence Romania expresses active support and solidarity for the line of your Party and state to realize the ardent desire of the entire Korean people for reunifying the country peacefully and on a democratic basis and believes that this reunification is conducive to the cause of peace, security and cooperation in the world.

Considering that the continued disputes in the Middle East might cause a new conflict in that region and the rest of the world and aggravate the situation, Romania holds that the Middle East problem must be politically settled by making the Israeli troops withdraw from the Arab territories they occupied in 1967, solving the problem of the Palestinian people on the basis of the right to self-determination including the building of an independent state and guaranteeing the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of all nations in that region.

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the RCP and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the RSR; Vasile Musat, Member of the CC of the RCP and Secretary of the CC of the RCP; Vasile Pungan, Member of the CC of the RCP, Minister at the Presidency of the RSR and Head of the Group of Advisers to the President of the Republic; and Dumitru Popa, Member of the CC of the RCP and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the RSR to the DPRK.

Views were exchanged at the talks on the problems of further strengthening and developing the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea and Romania, international problems of common concern and a series of other problems and a complete identity of views was reached on all problems discussed.

Talks were held on the 22nd between the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The talks proceeded in a comradely, sincere and friendly atmosphere.

Appreciation of Artistic Presentation and Mass Gymnastic Display

The music and dance tale "Song of Paradise" was staged at the Mansudae Art Theatre on the 21st in honour of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife appreciated the performance side by side with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu's party was invited to see it.

Our cadres and personages concerned and working people in the city saw the artistic presentation together with the guests.

The performance won the high acclaim of the guests.

When it was over, there appeared on the backdrop the respectful image of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung exchanging a firm handshake with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people, and artistes attired in Korean and Romanian national costumes loudly sang in chorus the "Song of General Kim Il Sung" and the Romanian song "Party, Ceausescu, Romania", performing a dance of friendship.

When cheers of "manse" again burst forth and unceasing thunderous applause arose, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, in company with the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, stepped onto the stage and presented the artistes with a floral basket congratulating them on their successful performance and had a photograph taken with them.

On the same day, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu saw the grand mass gymnastic display "Song of Korea" at the Moranbong Stadium.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife saw the mass display together with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife.

The entourage of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu was invited to see it.

Seeing the mass display together with the guests were our cadres and personages concerned and working people in the city.

Before the mass gymnastic display started, scene of welcome was unfolded to greet Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

Then the grand mass gymnastic display "Song of Korea" was performed.

In the chapter dedicated to the friendship and solidarity forged in the anti-imperialist joint struggle the mass display delighted the guests by impressively showing, through letters and pictorial delineation on the background and through graceful rhythmical movement and formation of the gymnastic columns, the successes registered by the Romanian people in the revolution and construction following the liberation under the leadership of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, their respected and beloved leader, and the Romanian Communist Party, and the active struggle they are waging to build a multilaterally-developed socialist society, holding fast to independence.

At the end of the mass display, a picture showing the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung firmly shaking hands with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu appeared in place of honour on the background and flags inscribed with a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and a portrait of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu fluttered on a formative tower standing in the centre of the gymnastic columns. That moment all the performers and spectators loudly sang in chorus the "Song of General Kim Il Sung" and the Romanian song "Party, Ceausescu, Romania".

The mass display was highly acclaimed by the guests.

After the mass display the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu shook hands and warmly hugged each other and raised high their clasped hands in token of the militant friendship and solidarity between the two Parties, two countries and two peoples of Korea and Romania. Then hundreds of gun salvoes were fired into the skies and the performers and spectators sent up the cheers of "manse!" enthusiastically.

Inspection of Yonpung-ho Lake

In company with the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife visited Yonpung-ho Lake on May 22.

Formed by drawing up the water of the Taedong-gang River, Yonpung-ho Lake is one of the biggest man-made lakes in our country.

Romanian guests accompanying Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu also visited the lake.

They were with our cadres.

Upon the arrival at the Yonpung railway station of the train carrying the guests, a multitude of well-wishers sent up cheers of "manse!" and accorded rousing welcome to the guests, waving overhead the miniflags of the two countries, bouquets and balloons.

The guests were met at the railway station by guiding personnel of local Party and government bodies.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, together with the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, reviewed a guard of honour of the Korean People's Army.

When the car carrying the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu slid along the route, the welcomers standing in rows gave a fervent welcome to the friendly envoy of the fraternal Romanian people, performing dances and raising cheers.

Together with the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife, Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife inspected the lake by an excursion boat.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, after the inspection of Yonpung-ho Lake in company with the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, posed for a photograph.

Joint Statement Signed

A joint statement on deepening friendship and solidarity and developing fraternal cooperation between the Workers' Party of Korea and the Romanian Communist Party and between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Romanian Socialist Republic was signed in Pyongyang on the 23rd.

Present at the signing ceremony were the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the WPK and President of the DPRK, and his wife and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the RCP and President of the RSR, and his wife.

Attending the ceremony on our side were leading workers, personages concerned and the DPRK Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the RSR.

Present there on the Romanian side was the party of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The joint statement was signed respectively by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

On the same day, an agreement on cooperation in tourism between the DPRK Government and the RSR Government and a protocol on commodity delivery and payments for 1979 were signed in Pyongyang.

Departure from Pyongyang

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu left Pyongyang on the 23rd by special plane, after successfully concluding his itinerary.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife accompanied Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife from the Guest House to the airport to give them a warm send-off.

Tens of thousands of working people in Pyongyang who lined on the streets hade a hearty farewell to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people, who left a brilliant record in the chronicle of the fraternal friendship between Korea and Romania.

At the airport, thousands of senders-off turned out.

A grand farewell ceremony took place for Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu exchanged farewell greetings with our cadres and foreign diplomatic envoys here.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with and embraced Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu at parting.

Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu expressed thanks for the hospitality accorded to him by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung during his stay in our country and enplaned, responding to the enthusiastically cheering crowds.

At 09:50 the special plane carrying the guests left the Pyongyang Airport.

An information on the results of the official goodwill visit to the DPRK of the RSR Party and State Delegation headed by Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the RCP and President of the RSR, was released in Pyongyang on the 23rd.

The information says: "Both sides pointed out with satisfaction that the visit to the DPRK of the Party and State Delegation of the RSR headed by Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the RCP and President of the RSR, was an epochal occasion in deepening mutual understanding between the Parties, governments and peoples of the two countries and strengthening and developing friendship and cooperation between them to a new higher stage and contributed to the strengthening and development of the international communist and working-class movements."

Demonstration of Indestructible Friendship and Solidarity of Korea and Romania

Grand Pyongyang Mass Rally Held to Welcome Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu raise high their clasped hands to acknowledge rousing cheers

A grand Pyongyang mass rally was held on May 21 at the Moranbong stadium to welcome Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Romanian Socialist Republic, on an official goodwill visit to our country at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife attended the rally together with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife.

More than one hundred thousand working people, youth and students in Pyongyang gathered at the meeting in a joyful mood of meeting the goodwill envoy of the fraternal Romanian people.

Attending the mass rally were personages of Party and government bodies and working people's organizations, high-ranking officers of the Korean People's Army and men of science, education, culture, arts, public health and the press.

Staff members of the Romanian Embassy in Pyongyang were invited to the meeting.

Set up with due respect amidst the crowd were portraits of the great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung and the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, which were flanked by the panels carrying the messages, "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!", "Long live the respected and beloved leader of the Romanian people Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu!"

Floating high in the sky were huge balloons from which were hanging the national flags of Korea and Romania and streamers with the words "Welcome" and "Friendship".

Seen in the stadium were slogans reading "Warm welcome to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu!" "Long live the indestructible fraternal friendship and solidarity between the Korean and Romanian peoples!"

When the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu appeared on the platform amid the strains of the welcome music, cheers of "manse" (hurrah) and thunderous applause burst forth, rocking the earth and sky, and floral waves rolled while hundreds of fireworks were sent up to present a picture of floral clouds in the sky.

Inscribed on the backdrop were the words "Warm welcome" and "Welcome to Ceausescu".

The platform was also taken by the party of Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

Present there were Comrade Pak Sung Chul and his wife, Comrades Li Jong Ok, O Jin U, So Chol, Kye Ung Tae, Kim Yong Nam, Ho Dam, Kim Man Gum, Kong Jin Tae and Hwang Jang Yop; and personages concerned and Sin In Ha, DPRK Ambassador to the Romanian Socialist Republic.

Cheers grew louder when Juvenile Corps members presented with profound respect bouquets of fragrant flowers to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The band struck up the national anthem of the Romanian Socialist Republic and the Patriotic Song of our country when the mass rally was declared open.

The rally was addressed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

His speech was warmly hailed and supported by the attendants.

After concluding his speech the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with and embraced Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

Then the title of honorary Pyongyang citizen was conferred upon Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Romanian Socialist Republic.

Comrade Kim Man Gum, Chairman of the Pyongyang Municipal People's Committee, presented the certificate of the honorary Pyongyang citizen to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu after he received the title of the honorary Pyongyang citizen.

The attendants sent warm applause to Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu congratulating him for the title.

Then Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu, General Secretary of the Romanian Communist Party and President of the Romanian Socialist Republic, spoke.

His speech was warmly welcomed by the assemblage of the mass rally.

When he concluded his speech, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung again warmly shook hands with and embraced him. They raised high their hands tightly clasped in acknowledgement of rousing cheers.

The mass rally closed with the playing of the Patriotic Song of our country and the national anthem of the Romanian Socialist Republic.

The meeting powerfully demonstrated the unbreakable fraternal friendship and solidarity sealed between the two Parties, two countries and two peoples of Korea and Romania in the common struggle against imperialism and for final victory of the socialist cause.

A scene from the finale of the mass gymnastic display "Song of Korea"

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Romania voices positive support to the struggle waged by the Namibian and Rhodesian peoples and the majority of the people of the Republic of South Africa against the policy of colonialism, racism and apartheid and all forms of subjugation and for a free and independent development at their will. Considering that the old colonial system left behind complicated problems on the African continent, it is very important to settle the disputes among these countries by negotiation for the strengthening of the unity of the African peoples in the anti-imperialist struggle and for their rapid advance toward progress and civilization.

It is an important task of our times to do away with underdevelopment and the big economic gap between nations, a consequence of the imperialist and colonialist policy.

This is why we are waging an active struggle to establish a new international economic order on the basis of truly fair relations that allow all the people to freely enjoy the successes of science and technology, ensure a fast development of the backward people and improve their material and cultural well-being.

Huge arms stockpiles on the globe presenting a grave threat to all peoples of the world, we regard it as one of the very urgent problems in our times to effect general disarmament and remove nuclear weapons first of all.

Romania is carrying on determined activities to make the shortly expected special session of the UN General Assembly a new stage in taking concrete steps for disarmament.

Life shows that any problem in the present world cannot be solved by a few countries, no matter how big they may be, and that for the solution of very complicated problems in the development of the world, all countries, particularly the medium and small countries, developing countries and non-aligned countries which represent the majority of the countries of the world and are directly interested in ending the imperialist policy and guaranteeing equality to all the nations are required to take an active part in international life.

It is the Communist and Workers' Parties, a great political force of the present era, which play a more important role in the solution of the complicated problems of international life.

Therefore, we hold that every possible effort should be made to strengthen unity and solidarity among the Communist Parties on the principle of equality and mutual respect and the principle of strictly respecting the right of each Party to map out the political line and revolutionary strategy and tactics in conformity with the specific conditions of its activities, without any interference from outside.

Considering that to strengthen solidarity with the Communist Parties and the Workers' Parties and, at the same time, to cement the solidarity with all progressive and anti-imperialist forces and peoples is a guarantee to check the dangerous change of international developments and develop the new policy of world security and cooperation, our Party is developing the relations of cooperation with Socialist Parties, Social Democratic Parties, the National Liberation Movement and other democratic parties and organizations.

With great satisfaction and joy, I note that our two Parties and governments have identical or similar views on basic problems of international life and both conduct vigorous activities to serve the ideal of the people for freedom, national independence, progress and cooperation and peace of the people.

Dear comrades,

I express my deepest thanks for the title of honorary citizen of Pyongyang, the city of hero, conferred upon me today.

I regard this as special honour bestowed upon me and feel in it my obligation to make continued efforts for the development of the relations between our two Parties and between the Romanian and Korean peoples.

Dear comrades,

Short as our Korean visit is, it has provided us with an opportunity to acquaint ourselves with the successes made by the fraternal Korean people in socialist construction by their energetic labour.

We will carry away with us unforgettable impressions and always cherish in our minds the warm sentiments of friendship expressed by the Korean people during our visit.

We assure you of the warm friendship and invariable solidarity of the Romanian people towards you.

The reciprocal sentiments between our two peoples originate from the close cooperation between the Parties and governments of the two countries and the struggle they are waging for the cause of socialism, for the development of a new policy respecting the right of each nation to freely decide their destiny and guaranteeing the equality of all peoples in the world and their successful cooperation.

We believe that the current visit will be recorded as a new important occasion in the chronicle of friendship between Romania and Korea, solidarity and very good relations of many-sided cooperation between the Parties and peoples of the two countries.

We would be very glad if we could receive respected Comrade Kim Il Sung again in the near future in the Romanian Socialist Republic to develop the truly comradely relations between us.

On this rostrum, I once again wish the Korean Communists and entire friendly Korean people a greater success in realizing the ideal and desire for the building of socialist and communist society, national reunification, independence, sovereignty, progress and prosperity.

Long live the everlasting fraternal friendship and cooperation between Romania and Korea!

Long live the solidarity among the socialist countries, Communist and Workers' Parties and world anti-imperialist forces!

Long live peace and cooperation among the peoples!

Dear comrades, I wish you all good health and great happiness.

PRM Party and Government Delegation Concludes DPRK Visit

The Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique headed by Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the PRM, which arrived here on May 14 on an official visit to our country at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the CC of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, left Pyongyang on the 21st by special plane after successfully finishing its itinerary.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung gives a hearty send-off to Comrade Samora Moises Machel who is just to leave Pyongyang after successfully concluding his visit to Korea

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung together with his wife went to the airport give a hearty send-off to Comrade Samora Moises Machel and his wife and the members of the delegation.

Seen in the midst of thousands of the senders-off who gathered at the airport were the respectful portraits of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of our Party and our people, and Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the PRM. The portraits were flanked on either side by panels bearing the words: "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live Comrade Samora Moises Machel, the outstanding leader of the Mozambican people!"

Floating over the airport were big balloons ribboned with flags of the two countries and the words reading "Friendship" and "Solidarity".

National flags of the two countries were fluttering on the flagpoles.

Also seen at the airport were the panels with the words "Long live the militant friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Mozambique!" "Let's unite with the peoples of the world who advocate independence!" "Full support and firm solidarity for the Mozambican people in their endeavours to create a new life under the leadership of Comrade Samora Moises Machel!" and "Warm send-off to the goodwill mission of the Mozambican people!"

A grand farewell ceremony took place.

Comrade Machel exchanged farewells with our leading cadres, and diplomatic envoys of various countries in Pyongyang and their wives.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung warmly shook hands with and embraced Comrade Samora Moises Machel.

Comrade Machel expressed thanks to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung for the hospitality accorded to him during his stay in our country and got into the plane, responding to the senders-off.

At 9 a.m. the plane took off from Pyongyang Airport.

That day, before departure of the delegation, a treaty of friendship and cooperation and an agreement on economic, scientific and technological and cultural cooperation were signed between the DPRK and the PRM in Pyongyang.

Present at the signing ceremony were the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and his wife, and Comrade Machel and his wife.

Also attending the ceremony on our side were leading cadres and our Ambassador to the PRM, and on the other side were the members of the delegation.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Samora Moises Machel signed the treaty and the agreement.

The same day witnessed the signing in Pyongyang of an agreement on cultural and scientific cooperation, a trade agreement and an accord on economic and technological cooperation between the Governments of the DPRK and the PRM.

The agreements and accord were signed by Comrade Kong Jin Tae, authorized by the Government of the DPRK, and Mario Da Graca Machungo, Member of the Permanent Political Committee of the FRELIMO Party and Minister of Industry and Energy, authorized by the Government of the PRM.

On the 20th the delegation saw the circus performance at the Pyongyang Acrobatic Theatre, inspected the Pyongyang Metro and looked round Mt. Taesongsan Recreation Ground.

On the 19th the President's wife Mme. Graca Machel and the members of the delegation saw the revolutionary opera "The Flower Girl" at the Pyongyang Grand Theatre.

The recent visit of the Party and Government Delegation of the PRM to our country marked a notable landmark in developing onto a new higher stage the friendly relations between the two Parties, two countries and two peoples.

TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION
BETWEEN THE DPRK AND THE PRM

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Mozambique,

Taking into consideration the bonds of fraternal friendship and cooperation between the Korean and the Mozambican people which were forged in the period of the people's liberation war in Mozambique and have been developing since the national independence of Mozambique,

Convinced that the expansion and development of the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism uniting the two Parties, two countries and two peoples are favourable to promoting the fundamental interests of the Korean and the Mozambican people and strengthening the cause of the unity of the peoples who are struggling for peace, democracy, national independence and socialism,

Confirming the determination to oppose imperialism, colonialism, neo-colonialism, racism and all forms of aggression and interference, defend the sovereignty, territorial integrity and revolutionary gains of the socialist countries, the new-born independent countries and all the progressive countries and actively promote the common cause of building an independent and prospering, new world free from exploitation and oppression,

Stressing that it is the internationalist duty of the two countries to support each other in consolidating the gains of the revolution won through the anti-imperialist liberation struggle and develop the relations of friendship and cooperation with all the progressive countries which are following the road of independent socio-economic development,

Desiring to strengthen the anti-imperialist nature of the non-aligned movement, consolidate and develop this movement and continuously cement militant solidarity with the socialist countries and the countries of the new-emerging forces struggling for sovereignty, independence and socialism,

Solemnly decided to conclude a treaty of friendship and cooperation and agreed as follows:

ARTICLE 1

The two high level contracting parties shall make efforts to strengthen in every way the fraternal friendship and militant solidarity between the Parties, governments and peoples of the two countries and constantly strengthen and develop all-round cooperation and intercourse between the two countries for the independent development of the country and the building of a prosperous, socialist society, while firmly adhering to independence.

ARTICLE 2

The two high level contracting parties shall base themselves on the following internationally recognized principles in the relations between the two countries and in developing relations with other countries:

1. The people of each country have the inalienable right to shape their destiny by themselves and adopt a policy in conformity with the actual conditions of their country, not subjected to any outside interference and pressure.
2. All states have the equal rights irrespective of the size, level of development and socio-economic systems of their countries and each country has the right to develop and utilize its natural resources and all other resources in conformity with its national interests.
3. Each country has the right to participate on completely equal conditions in examining and settling international problems, problems related with it in particular.
4. Each country assumes the obligation to fully respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of other countries and observe the principles of equality, mutual respect, mutual benefit and non-interference in others' internal affairs.
5. Each country regards any attempt to oppose the national unity of other countries and infringe upon their territorial integrity as a grave menace to world peace and security.
6. Each country has the right to defend itself.
7. Each country respects the purposes and principles of the UN Charter and the publicly recognized principles and norms of international law.

ARTICLE 3

The two high level contracting parties shall strengthen and develop cooperation and intercourse in the domains of economy, science and technology, culture, arts, health and sports and exchange each other their experiences in these domains.

ARTICLE 4

The two high level contracting parties shall cooperate with each other in increasing their defence power.

ARTICLE 5

The two high level contracting parties shall not participate in any treaty or alliance against the other side.

ARTICLE 6

The two high level contracting parties shall make efforts to develop trade between the two countries on the principle of mutual benefit.

ARTICLE 7

The two high level contracting parties shall oppose any attempt of the imperialists to divide a country and subjugate and dominate the peoples of other countries and resolutely struggle for the withdrawal of all foreign troops occupying the southern half of Korea and the independent and peaceful solution of the question of Korean reunification on a democratic principle by the Korean people themselves without any outside interference.

ARTICLE 8

The two high level contracting parties shall make efforts to frustrate all the attempts to divide and disrupt the non-aligned movement and strengthen and develop the non-aligned movement, a great political force of the present time.

ARTICLE 9

The two high level contracting parties shall actively struggle to destroy the old international economic order established by the imperialists and to bring about a progressive and equitable, new international economic order without exploitation, which conforms to the will and interests of the developing countries and the peoples who love freedom and world peace and to defend the country's natural resources and territorial waters right.

ARTICLE 10

The two high level contracting parties shall give information and exchange opinions each other on the problems concerning the relations between the two countries, international problems and international events and see to it that the two countries support and cooperate with each other in the international organizations and international meetings.

ARTICLE 11

The two high level contracting parties shall actively support the struggle of the peoples against imperialism, colonialism, neo-colonialism and racism and for winning liberation and consolidating national independence and make efforts to contribute to the common struggle of the world people for peace, democracy and socialism.

ARTICLE 12

The present treaty shall come into force as from July 1, 1978, and remain valid for 20 years.

Unless any of the two contracting parties makes a written proposal to the other side to abrogate the treaty six months before its expiration, its term will be automatically renewed for another five years.

Signed in Pyongyang, the capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on May 21, 1978, and done in duplicate in Korean and Portuguese, both texts are equally authentic.

KIM IL SUNG
President
Democratic People's Republic of Korea

SAMORA MOISES MACHEL
President
People's Republic of Mozambique

JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON THE RESULTS OF VISIT OF THE PARTY AND GOVERNMENT DELEGATION OF PRM TO DPRK

Upon the invitation of Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, a Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique headed by Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique, paid an official visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea between May 14 and 21, 1978.

This visit was accompanied by Comrade Graca Machel, wife of Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique.

During its stay in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea the Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique inspected factories, cooperative farms and educational and cultural institutions in Pyongyang and South Hamgyong Province and was accorded a warm welcome and hospitality everywhere it went.

Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique, conveyed the friendship and militant greetings of the Mozambican people to the Korean people, their class brother, and made a speech at a grand mass rally held in Hamhung, an industrial city in South Hamgyong Province, in welcome of the Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique.

During the visit talks were held between Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique.

Present at the talks on the Korean side were Comrade Pak Sung Chul, Member of the Political Committee of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Ho Dam, Alternate Member of the Political Committee of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Premier of the Administration Council and Foreign Minister of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Kong Jin Tae, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Premier of the Administration Council of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Ro Tae Sok, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Chairman of the Economic Commission of the Central People's Committee of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Yun Gi Bok, Member of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Vice-Chairman of the Economic Commission of the Central People's Committee of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Comrade Kim Yong Chae, Minister of Communications; Comrade Pang Gi Yong, President of the Trade Bank; Comrade Kil Jae Gyong, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs; and Comrade Song Gi Tae, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the People's Republic of Mozambique.

Present on the Mozambican side were Comrade Joaquim Alberto Chissano, Member of the Permanent Political Committee of the FRELIMO Party, Member of the Permanent Commission of the People's Assembly and Minister for External Relations; Comrade Mario Da Graca Machungo, Member of the Permanent Political Committee of the FRELIMO Party, Deputy to the People's Assembly and Minister of Industry and Energy; Comrade Jose Luis Cabaco, Member of the Central Committee of the FRELIMO Party, Deputy to the People's Assembly and Minister for Transport and Communications; Comrade Sergio Vieira, Member of the Central Committee of the FRELIMO Party, Deputy to the People's Assembly and President of the Mozambican Bank; Comrade Francisco Pereira, National Director of Roads of the Ministry of Public Works and Housing; Comrade Luis V. Meneses, National Director of Medical Assistance of the Ministry of Health; Comrade Rui Nazare Ribeiro of the Ministry of Agriculture; Comrade Hipolito Patricio of the Ministry for External Relations; Comrade Mahomed Hussen Osman of the Mozambican Bank; Comrade Levy Muthemba of the Ministry for Transport and Communications; Comrade David Zelanas Sibambo of the Ministry of Education and Culture; and Comrade Manuel Joao Mbeve of the Ministry of Industry and Energy.

The talks proceeded in a friendly and comradely atmosphere.

At the talks both sides informed each other of the precious experiences gained by the two Parties in leading the revolution in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of Mozambique, and exchanged them each other. They also informed each other of the situation in their respective countries and exchanged views on problems of mutual concern.

Both sides reached a complete identity of views on the problems discussed.

Both sides expressed satisfaction with the fact that the friendly and cooperative relations between the two Parties, two countries and two peoples are excellently developing with each passing day on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism and manifested their unanimous determination to further expand and develop these relations in all fields.

Both sides concluded a treaty of friendship and cooperation and various agreements out of the desire to further expand and develop the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two countries.

The Korean side warmly hailed the great successes made by the Mozambican people in the struggle for consolidating the political independence and laying the ideological and material foundations of socialist society after the victory of the national democratic revolution under the correct leadership of their outstanding leader Comrade Samora Moises Machel. It also hailed the successes made at the historic Third Congress of the FRELIMO, a congress of victory which founded a Marxist-Leninist Party, the vanguard of the working class and peasants, its ally, and the successes made in the course of founding the democratic people's power organs through the elections to the people's assemblies which showed the leading and dominating role of the labouring class in the state.

The Korean side resolutely denounced the ceaseless aggressive manoeuvres of the imperialists against the People's Republic of Mozambique, highly appraised the heroic struggle of the Mozambican people for defending sovereignty and territorial integrity and expressed full solidarity with them in their internationalist support to the just struggle of the southern African peoples for their complete and all-round independence.

The Mozambican side highly appreciated and warmly hailed the great successes made by the Korean people in the socialist revolution and construction by embodying the Juche idea in all fields under the correct and wise guidance of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader and outstanding guide of the revolution. It also wished the Korean people great success in powerfully carrying on the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural, and in their heroic struggle to successfully fulfil the Second Seven-Year Plan, a grand programme of socialist construction.

The Mozambican side expressed its full and unconditional support to the three principles and five-point policy for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea put forward by the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people Comrade Kim Il Sung, strongly condemned and denounced the manoeuvres of the domestic and foreign splittists to create "two Koreas" and legalize the south Korean puppet regime and demanded the speedy withdrawal of the foreign troops occupying the southern half of Korea along with all means of war including nuclear weapons.

Both sides noted with satisfaction that the visit of the Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was an epochal event which brought the relations of fraternal friendship and cooperation between the two countries to a new higher stage and greatly contributed to strengthening the friendship and solidarity among the peoples who are fighting for peace and democracy, national independence and socialism.

Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique, expressed deep thanks to Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and to the Workers' Party of Korea, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people for the warm and fraternal welcome and hospitality accorded to him and his wife and the Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique during their stay in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the People's Republic of Mozambique, invited Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and his wife to pay an official Party and state goodwill visit to the People's Republic of Mozambique at a convenient time.

The invitation was accepted with pleasure.

Pyongyang, May 21, 1978

Adorning Proud History of Socialist Construction: Great Chollima Movement

Today we observe the memorable 10th anniversary of the publication of the classic work of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung "Let Us Develop the Chollima Work-team Movement in Depth, a Great Impetus to Socialist Construction". Marking this day the minds of our people hark back to the course of socialist construction in our country, when they have been dashing forward at the speed of Chollima under the inspired leadership of our great leader.

Great victories and successes in our socialist construction were achieved in the course of the Chollima Movement. The proud history of our socialist construction marked by epoch-making changes and miraculous achievements cannot be even thought of without this movement.

The Chollima Movement is a great onward movement which was inaugurated and has been launched under the far-reaching purpose and judicious leadership of the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"The Chollima Movement is a movement of communist education, its aim being to convert large numbers of people into activists of socialist construction who make continuous advance and uninterrupted innovation; it is a forward movement of communism to get large numbers of people to display mass heroism and vigorously push ahead with socialist construction."

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung attached great importance to the mass movement ever since the initial stage of the building of a new society. When our people embarked upon the building of socialism on a full scale, he thrashed out a far-sighted plan conceived to launch a powerful mass drive to break through all difficulties lying ahead of our revolution and rise to the height leading to socialism at a stretch.

The postwar period was beset with trying ordeals. In this very situation the building of the foundations of socialism had to be undertaken. In coping with all bottlenecks and difficulties he decided to release into action the revolutionary zeal of the masses. With this in mind the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung went to the Kangson Steel Plant to meet the workers in person. Here the flames of the Chollima Movement were lit.

He put up a militant slogan, "Let us dash forward at the speed of Chollima!"

The response to his call was immediate, and our people turned out as one to follow this up with unprecedented miracles and innovations, bravely surmounting all difficulties and bottlenecks. All over the country world-startling feats were performed and then came the great era of Chollima in this land, an era of great prosperity and development.

The Chollima Movement is the brilliant fruit of the unique thought, theory, policy and the inspiring and seasoned leadership of the respected and beloved leader who regards the labouring masses as the most powerful of all beings in the world and vigorously pushes forward the revolution and construction by setting them in motion. This movement is our Party's general line in socialist construction.

Its essence is the education and transformation of the entire working people in the Juche idea, in order to closely rally them behind the Party and give full scope to their revolutionary zeal and creative talents in building socialism better and faster. Its main task is to powerfully promote through a mass movement the three revolutions, ideological, technical and cultural. It is the power source providing the energy to accelerate the cause of socialist construction without any deviation.

This is a great movement incomparably superior to all sorts of the previous mass movements.

The main characteristic of this movement is to successfully fulfil the tasks of the three revolutions, by organically linking the collective innovation with the educational and remoulding processes of the working people in economic and cultural construction.

It covers all domains of the revolution and construction—industry, agriculture, construction, transport, education, culture and public health. And the people of all sections—workers, farmers and working intellectuals—take part in this movement.

The decisive factor accounting for the emergence of our great Chollima Movement and its invincible might is the rock-firm unity and cohesion of the entire people rallied close behind the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Endowed with extraordinary wisdom, outstanding art of leadership and lofty qualities he advanced the correct line and policies and set out in clear terms the prospect at each stage and in each period of the revolution and construction, thus clearly indicating the direction to be followed by our people. And always finding himself among the people, he instilled into them the indefatigable fighting spirit and confidence in victory.

To put into practice his concept our people, determined even to go through fire and water, turned out to carry out to an inch his original, Juche-inspired line and policies concerning socialist construction.

The respected and beloved leader firmly believes in the strength of the people and the people absolutely support and trust him; and all the people move forward vigorously, rallied close behind him. It is this great unity and cohesion that makes our people keep up their dynamic onward movement at the speed of Chollima and always win signal victory in socialist construction.

The invincible might of the Chollima Movement organized and guided by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has been fully proved by the reality of our socialist construction woven through with heroic events and miracles.

Today new lofty qualities have been brought out in our people—the readiness to devotedly fight for the Party and the revolution and for the organization and the collective, in accordance with the motto "One for all and all for one". All people are closely united with each other with one thought and one purpose.

They are convinced that the road indicated by the great leader is the road leading to victory and glory and there is nothing impossible when we advance, holding aloft the banner of the Juche idea. This is the unshaken conviction which struck its roots deep down into the hearts of our people in the course of the grand Chollima forward move.

Such changes taking place in the ideological and spiritual life of our people are an incomparably precious fruit brought about by the Chollima Movement.

The Chollima Movement that contributed to impelling forward our people's onward movement enabled our historic task of socialist industrialization to be fulfilled in a matter of 14 years, with the result that this country has been turned into a powerful socialist state of independence, self-support and self-defence.

In the whole course of the Chollima Movement, our people always marched ahead with redoubled vigor in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and attained numerous miraculous achievements, upholding the original line and policies of our Party such as the basic line of socialist economic construction, the line of socialist industrialization and the policy of technical revolution.

Indeed, this great onward movement fundamentally altered the face of our country which took over the backward economy and culture and greatly raised the prestige of our nation, once subjected to all sorts of humiliation and contempt in the days gone by. Thanks to this movement, our nation came to radiate its dignity and honour, our people became a mighty, dignified and heroic people whom no one dares to challenge and our country came to call forth high admiration as the "land of Chollima".

The movement which has covered a proud course of development under the wise guidance of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung is developing into a higher stage, in the fierce flames of the speed campaign.

Upholding the policy of the speed campaign and filled with the lusty fighting spirit, ambitious spirit and passion, our people pushed ahead with all their work with lightning speed, thus fulfilling the Sixth Year Plan ahead of schedule. And even under the consequences caused by the cold front sweeping the world they could reap a bumper crop every year and consistently strengthen the foundation of the independent economy of the country.

Our people continue to drive the flying horse, Chollima, forward to successfully carry out the Second Seven-Year Plan and hasten the complete victory of socialism and national reunification in the revolutionary "Paekdusan" spirit displayed during the anti-Japanese armed struggle, in the revolutionary spirit of Chollima and in the revolutionary spirit of speed campaign.

Our people will perform new miracles and feats every day by promoting the Juche-orientation, modernization and scientification of the national economy and further intensifying the Three-Revolution Red Flag Movement. Thus they will fully display the honour of Chollima Korea once again in the fulfilment of the new perspective plan.

EDITORIAL

Korean People Will Stand Foursquare Behind Mozambican People

A Party and Government Delegation of the People's Republic of Mozambique headed by Comrade Samora Moises Machel, President of the FRELIMO Party and President of the PRM, was on an official visit to our country from May 14 to 21 at the invitation of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The visit was very successful and a joint communique on its result was made public.

The PRM Party and Government Delegation, the goodwill mission of the Mozambican people, was given warm welcome and hospitality of our people wherever it went during its stay in our country.

During its stay talks were held between the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade President Samora Moises Machel.

In the talks which proceeded in an atmosphere of comradeship, cordiality and friendship, views were exchanged on the matter of further enhancing and developing the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two Parties and two countries and a series of problems of common concern. There was a complete agreement of views on all the issues discussed.

Particularly, two Heads of State noted with satisfaction that the relations of friendship and cooperation between the two Parties, two countries and two peoples are favourably developing as the days go by on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. They, reflecting the aspirations of the peoples of the two countries to further enhance and develop these relations in the fields of politics, economy and culture and other areas, concluded a treaty of friendship and cooperation between the two countries and an agreement on economic, scientific-technological and cultural cooperation.

These documents are the firm guarantee that the friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Mozambique will be strengthened and the relations of fraternal cooperation be enhanced and developed in various domains.

Our people express their joy at the very good results of the visit to Korea by Comrade Samora Moises Machel and warmly support and welcome the joint communique on the result of the visit and the treaty and agreement concluded.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"Thanks to the gallant struggle of the FRELIMO and the Mozambican people, the historic tasks of building the Party and establishing the people's power have been splendidly carried out and great strides made in the work of wiping out the aftermaths of the old colonial rule and building an independent new society in Mozambique in a short period of only three years since national independence."

Under the judicious guidance of Comrade Samora Moises Machel, their outstanding leader, the heroic people of Mozambique achieved their national independence through a protracted armed struggle and are now vigorously advancing along the road towards socialism, the road of freedom and happiness, bravely surmounting manifold bottlenecks and difficulties laying on their way.

Our people rejoice as over their own over the successes which the Mozambican people, mindful of masters of their country, have achieved in the struggle to build an independent national economy and national culture, while firmly maintaining independence.

Our people support the Party and Government of Mozambique which are firmly defending the national security and the revolutionary gains, decisively encountering the aggressive manoeuvres of the imperialists, colonialists and racists. They also support the just stand adopted by them in giving positive backing to the struggle of the southern African brothers to liquidate the racist regimes, and express firm solidarity with the anti-imperialist and anti-racist struggle of the peoples of other five frontline countries.

Comrade Samora Moises Machel at the joint communique and on many other occasions highly appreciated and warmly hailed the tremendous successes which the Korean people, under the correct and wise guidance of Comrade Kim Il Sung, great leader and outstanding guide of the revolution, have attained in the socialist revolution and construction by applying the Juche idea in all fields.

And he expressed his full and unconditional support to the three principles and five-point policy for the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea put forward by the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, strongly condemned the moves of domestic and foreign partitionists to create "two Koreas" and legalize the south Korean puppet regime, and held that the foreign troops occupying the southern half of Korea must quit at the earliest possible date, carrying with them all means of war including nuclear weapons.

This is a great encouragement to our people in their struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Both Korea and Mozambique are member states of the Non-Alignment that stand at the anti-imperialist outpost and the peoples of the two countries are closely linked by firm bonds of friendship for the community of their past lots and their present fighting goal.

As the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung declared, the Korean people will, as in the past, invariably stand firm at the side of the fraternal Mozambican people in the struggle to realize the common purpose.

The Korean people heartily wish that the Mozambican people, closely rallied behind Comrade President Samora Moises Machel, their outstanding leader, will achieve greater victories in the struggle to put into practice the programme conceived to build socialism, which was presented at the Third Congress of the FRELIMO on the basis of Marxism-Leninism.

The recent visit of the goodwill mission of the Mozambican people to our country marked a notable landmark in developing the relations of fraternal friendship and cooperation established between the two countries onto a new, higher stage and made a great contribution to strengthening the unity of the peoples of Asia and Africa and the peoples of non-aligned countries who advocate independence.

Our people will as in the past strive to strengthen the unity with the Mozambican people and other revolutionary peoples of the world who advocate independence.

"ELECTION" FARCE OF SOUTH KOREAN PUPPETS—POLITICAL SWINDLE

"We Declare Election for One-Man Rule Invalid"

People of Various Sections Denounce Puppets' "Election" Farce

On May 18 the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique held the so-called "election to the National Conference for Unification". Then they published the list of "successful candidates" composed of their cat's paws.

But its real result was already confirmed by the will expressed by the broad sections of the south Korean people, not on the votes counted.

From the outset the majority of the people bitterly opposed and denounced this "election" farce, saying "meaningless formalities".

As already reported, over 1,500 students of Seoul University staged on May 8 a demo against the "election to the National Conference for Unification". They issued a "students' declaration for democracy" which demanded the repeal of "Yusin Constitution", the removal of "emergency measures" and so forth. Some 500 riot police who were called out to frustrate the demo fired tear bombs at students. But, never daunted, the students fought bravely, throwing stones.

The response to this came from the students of Rihwa Women's University on May 9 and Hanguk Theological Seminary on the 16th, both in Seoul. They had meetings and launched demos against the "election to the National Conference for Unification", a tool for long-term office of traitor Pak Jung Hi.

Declarations were adopted to oppose the "election". Their struggles were encountered with police suppression. The students answered this by announcing that they would call hunger-strike, college strike and so on

On the day of "election", 66 south Korean personages of various circles including former "president" Yun Bo Son, Catholic Bishop Chi Hak Sun and Kim Dae Jung's wife Li Hui Ho made public a joint statement severely denouncing the "election" farce.

These anti-"government" personages said in their statement: "The election to the National Conference for Unification is nothing but the election for one-man rule and we declare it invalid."

Some of signers of this statement held an anti-"government" rally to express their resolute opposition to the "election" and burnt "ballot papers" issued by the "election management committee".

Earlier, south Korean democrats made public the "March 1 Declaration for Democracy" and the "78 Declaration in Prison on Freedom, Democracy, Justice and Truth", which were published in the wake of the "Appeal to Democratic Nation" on January 19. In these they rejected the "election" to the tool of the dictatorial regime of the puppets and strongly demanded that the Pak Jung Hi clique resign.

Meanwhile, outside Korea—Japan, the United States and other countries—the patriotism-imbued struggles of overseas compatriots for similar aims ceaselessly took place.

On May 13, the Central Standing Committee of Chongryon (General Association of Korean Residents in Japan) issued a statement to pungently denounce the "election" farce of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique. It branded it as a criminal act to create "two Koreas" and realize his long-term office.

On May 17, a "mass rally to condemn the election to the National Conference for Unification and to demand the withdrawal of Pak Jung Hi" was held under the co-sponsorship of eight organizations under the influence of the "Union of ROK Residents in Japan" or "Mindan" including the Japan headquarters of the "National Congress for the Restoration of Democracy in South Korea and the Promotion of Unification", the "Council for National Unification" and "Mindan" Tokyo headquarters.

Those who spoke at the rally were unanimous in bitterly exposing and denouncing the "election" farce of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique. They branded it as a sinister enterprise to legalize the extension of their regime and as an one-sided fascist act.

The rally adopted a 9-point resolution which demanded the dissolution of the "Yusin system", stoppage of "election" farce and abolishment of the "emergency measures". It also adopted a "declaration of invalidity" in the name of the international secretariat of the "Union of Overseas South Koreans for Democracy, Nation and Unification".

The declaration pointed out: "We, the one-million overseas compatriots, representing our general will, solemnly declare to the whole world that the election to the National Conference for Unification which was concocted by means of fraudulence and hypocrisy is invalid."

BURLESQUE FULL OF FOULNESS

On May 18 the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique staged a farce what they call "election to the National Conference for Unification" despite the strong opposition and rejection of the south Korean people.

The "National Conference for Unification" is a tool for the one-man fascist dictatorship and permanent office of the traitor Pak Jung Hi. Its "representatives" play the part of a voting machine; in point of fact, they fulfil their "mission" by a mere show of hands to give traitor Pak Jung Hi the appellation of the puppet president during their term of office extending 6 years.

That is why in the recent "election" farce the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique left no means untried to frame the "NCU" with their faithful servants. They put into action all suppressive forces and special agents and squandered a stupendous amount of "national fund", resorting to all irregularities without compunction—repression, terrorism, swindle, bribery and what not.

Under the pretext of the "maintenance of order" and "prevention of nonvoting" the hooligans terrorized and imprisoned a large number of public figures, youth and students and inhabitants and referred them to "summary trials".

At a "booth" in Tobong district, Seoul, the gangsters dragged out scores of mentally deranged persons and made them cast "ballots". In Kueui-dong, Songdong district, more than 70 old men who could hardly move were brought in trucks and compelled to participate in "voting".

The puppets were much upset when there was no hope of ensuring in Seoul a "voting rate" of 65 per cent, their target, in spite of all their trickeries. In the afternoon they nabbed pedestrians on sight and constrained them to take part in "voting", crying that "even those without balloting notices and residential registration cards can vote" and even staged a "voting by proxy" unhesitatingly.

Such fraudulent acts were committed openly on a larger scale in provinces.

Even vehicles belonging to the puppet army and the US troops were mobilized in the "operation" for herding out people to "booths" in Hwasong county, Kyonggi Province. In North Kyongsang Province all the puppet public servants were called out from early morning and made a house-to-house search all day long to take people to "booths".

Pregnant women residing in Chungwon county, North Chungchong Province and Sinan county, South Cholla Province had delivery while being escorted to the "booths".

People were taken to "booths", pressed by the threat and blackmail by gangsters, but many of them refused to cast a vote, saying that there was no one who merited "approval vote".

The recent "election" farce advertised as a "fair election" by the puppets ended a dirty show, becoming a target of hatred and rejection of the people.

The "election" was a most shameless and dastard political trick because it was held under the circumstances in which the people were completely deprived of their elementary freedom—the freedom of speech, the press, assembly and demonstration—and "Emergency Measure No. 9" which banned all words and deeds against "Yusin Constitution", a diabolical fascist evil law, was in force for 4 years, and, to cap it all, the threat of bayonet-brandishing was presented as the police "was given an order on emergency duty" and the puppet bandits had all the "election administration" to themselves.

So, advocating that the recent "election" is invalid, the south Korean people strongly demand that the traitor Pak Jung Hi should be responsible for this and resign his "power".

If the traitor Pak Jung Hi pursues his long-term office in defiance of this demand, he will inevitably fall.

Li Jip

THE CONGO IS ASTIR WITH CREATION OF A NEW LIFE

Transporting trunk timber (in the Congo)

Under the correct leadership of President Joachim Yhomby-Opango, the Congolese people, while frustrating the enemy's repeated subversive activities and sabotages, have achieved great successes in the struggle for the building of a new life, upholding the banner of anti-imperialism and independence.

Steps taken to liquidate colonial consequences and to achieve the independent development of the country have led to the imperialist economic foothold being destroyed and the firm foundations of national industry being laid.

The forest resources and the transport and mining companies formerly owned by foreign monopolies were placed under state control and state-run companies formed.

The government directed great efforts to the building of state-run industrial enterprises, with the result that many new enterprises have been built and are managed successfully.

There have come into being the national institution of management and the state companies serving the timber industry which plays an important role in that country's economy. Lumbering and wood-processing mills have sprung up in great profusion.

Last year these mills processed over 700,000 cubic metres of timber more than in 1976.

Significant headway is also observed in agriculture. Land has been handed over to the landless peasants, and cooperatives and state agro-stock farms created. The introduction of scientific farming methods and the carrying out of modernization schemes in agriculture have led to steady increase of agricultural production.

Impressive are the successes registered in the field of education and culture.

Thanks to the progressive measures taken by the government to nationalize schools, increase investments in the sector of education and boost the percentage of school attendance, the number of children attending elementary school has reached 350,000 and the sons and daughters of the working population are trained in more than 70 secondary schools to become the builders of a new society.

The Korean people sincerely rejoice as over their own over the successes made by the fraternal Congolese people in the struggle to build a new society.

Korea and the Congo are far away from each other across oceans and continents. But they are linked by the ties of friendship because of the commonness of their past position, oppressed and maltreated, and their present struggle. The Congolese people express a high opinion of the achievements which our people have attained in socialist construction by embodying the Juche idea of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung. They extend active support and encouragement to the Korean people in the struggle for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country in the UN and other international forums.

The relations of friendship and cooperation between Korea and the Congo will be further strengthened and developed in the future through the common struggle against imperialism and for independence.

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